## **Eligibility Requirements**

- § 58.1-439.20 of the Code "In order for a proposal to be approved, the applicant neighborhood organization and any of its affiliates shall meet the requirements of the application regulations or guidelines.
  - "Affiliate" means with respect to any person, any other person directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by, or under common control with such person. For purposes of this definition, "control" (including controlled by and under common control with) shall mean the power, directly or indirectly, to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of such person whether through ownership or voting securities or by contract or otherwise.

To be eligible to participate in the program, the neighborhood organization and any of its affiliates must meet the below requirements:

- ➤ The applicant and any of its affiliates is a local, regional or statewide organization whose primary function is providing neighborhood assistance and hold a ruling from the IRS that the organization exempt from income taxation under the provisions of § § 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) IRS code of 1986.
- The applicant must have been in operation providing neighborhood assistance for low-income persons or an eligible student with a disability for at least 12 months.

- The applicant's and any of its affiliates' audit, review or compilation must not contain any significant findings or areas of concern for the ongoing operation of the neighborhood organization.
- ➤ The applicant and any of its affiliates must demonstrate at least 75 percent of total revenue received is expended to support their ongoing programs each year.
- The applicant and any of its affiliates must demonstrate at least 50 percent of the people served are low-income or an eligible student with a disability.
- The applicant and any of its affiliates must demonstrate at least 50 percent of the total expenditures are used for a low-income person or an eligible student with a disability.

## **Application Process**

The Neighborhood Assistance Program (NAP) Application will be available online and by request no later than March 15, 2016 for the program period that will begin July 1, 2016.

NAP application workshops will be held in March across the Commonwealth. The purpose of the workshop is to review the application process, provide a brief explanation of the Neighborhood Assistance Program and to respond to questions relating to applying for the program.

The application and required documentation is due no later than the first business day of May. This does not include a postmark date. Applications can be hand delivered the final week.

Please return to the website in March for more details.

If you have any questions, please contact NAP staff at <a href="map@dss.virginia.gov">nap@dss.virginia.gov</a>.